STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

AMENDMENT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS : DOCKET NO. 3678

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ORDER

On May 3, 2005, Narragansett Electric Company ("Narragansett" or "Company") filed with the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") a change to the Company's Terms and Conditions, R.I.P.U.C. No. 1154 with R.I.P.U.C. No. 1192 and to add a new Tariff R.I.P.U.C. 1193 to provide for off cycle meter reads. The proposed effective date is June 15, 2005. In addition to clarifying certain language, the Company has deleted the provision in which a customer could request an off cycle meter read in order to switch to a nonregulated power producer ("NPP") for a twenty dollar (\$20.00) charge. The Company added a new Tariff provision for off cycle meter reads where if a commercial customer requests an off cycle read, the Company will charge seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for a telemetered customer and one hundred five dollars (\$105) for a non-telemetered customer. With its filing, Narragansett provided two schedules to support its argument that the new Tariff is designed to recover the actual costs associated with performing an off-cycle meter read. In 2005, seven requests for off-cycle meter reads have been performed.

On May 31, 2005, the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division"), filed a Memorandum authored by Stephen Scialabba, Chief Accountant, noting that the Division had issued and reviewed data requests and recommending approval of the revised Terms and Conditions and the new off cycle meter read Tariff.

After a review of the various filings, the Commission conducted an Open Meeting on May 31, 2005 and approved Narragansett's proposed amendments and the new Tariff for effect June 15, 2005.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(18266) <u>ORDERED</u>:

- 1. Narragansett Electric Company's R.I.P.U.C. Nos. 1192 and 1193 are hereby approved for effect June 15, 2005.
- 2. Narragansett Electric Company shall comply with all other findings and instructions contained in this Report and Order.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION ON MAY 31, 2005. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED JUNE 6, 2005.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Elia Germani, Chairman
Robert B. Holbrook, Commissioner